

Editorial

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To our readers,

Chemistry & Biology is very pleased to announce that we can now accept manuscripts for publication in the style of a Brief Communication. An ideal Brief Communication would be a very short research article containing high-impact data that requires rapid publication or, alternatively, an article that describes results that are of broad interest to the chemical biology community but cannot be sufficiently completed for publication as a full-length research article by the authors. We anticipate that Brief Communications will prove to be a very popular forum for the publication of primary research. Authors are welcome to suggest that their article be considered as a Brief Communication if they feel that the content is suitable for this format. The Brief Communication is limited to a maximum of 25,000 characters and should contain no more than three figures. The manuscript should be organized in the same way as a Research Article, with a Summary paragraph of no more than 135 words followed by Results, Discussion, a Significance paragraph of up to 300 words, Experimental Procedures, and then References. Due to the necessary size constraints, authors may wish to omit the Experimental Procedures section, incorporating a concise description of the experimental procedures into the text and figure legends. For more information, please contact the editorial team by writing to chembiol@cell.com.

I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage our readers to submit their upcoming research and review articles to *Chemistry & Biology*. Over the past few months we have regained our reputation as the premier journal for the publication of outstanding research from the chemical biology field, and have strengthened our commitment to fast and efficient manuscript review and prompt publication. In addition, our authors can now take advantage of our new and convenient online manuscript submission system, Editorial Manager, at <http://www.editorialmanager.com/chembiol/>. Alternatively, authors are still most welcome to submit their papers by regular mail to:

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